

# Regional Tournament Starts Here Thursday

## Cool Or Williams To Start For Roseburg In First Tilt

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One thing should be settled fast when the Western Regional American Legion baseball tournament opens Thursday at Legion Field—that being whether Lockwood Motors of Roseburg or Billings, Mont., will emerge as the team favored to win the crown.

The two teams will meet in the final game of the first round Thursday at about 8:30 p.m. Preceding the Roseburg-Billings clash, Cheyenne, Wyo., will take on Selah-Naches, Wash., in the tourney opener at 1:30 p.m. and Anchorage, Alaska, will battle Lewiston, Idaho, at 6.

Roseburg and Billings are the pre-tourney favorites because of their spectacular season records. The local power holds a slight edge over the perennial Montana champs by virtue of having played more games. Lockwood's boasts a 47-9 record, while Billings sports an equally impressive 42-9 mark.

Backers for both teams are reluctant to go too far out on a limb in making predictions, with a great amount of respect being shown for the two clubs.

In reaching the regional level for the third straight year, Roseburg won the Doug-Lane League crown with a perfect 19-0 mark. The first playoff battles found the local crew meeting a strong Klamath Falls Falcons team, with Roseburg winning the first and third games of the best-of-three series by scores of 2-1 and 2-0.

Next came the state semifinal against a highly touted North Salem nine. Lockwood's handled the North Salem team handily in two straight to earn the right to meet Sargeant's Construction (Madison) of Portland for the state crown. After dropping a 10-inning opener to the Portland team, Roseburg came back strong to win three straight.

Billings captured its 10th straight state title by romping through an eight-team state tournament without a setback. In the finale of the tournament the champs bested Helena, 7-1.

The Montana powerhouse boasts a veteran club which finished fifth in the nation last year and has been in the Little World Series for four of the last five years. Strong pitching and a well-balanced hitting attack provides the winning combination for Billings.

Pitching has also been the key to Roseburg's success this year, with plenty of depth to back up ace Russ Cool and Dick Williams. Cool sports a 14-1 record on the mound and is the strikeout artist of the Roseburg staff. The talented Drain southpaw has fanned 225 batters in 120 innings.

Williams, using a variety of stuff while working on the mound, has posted a 12-2 record on the season. The Roseburg star throws from the right side and has come along strong since the midpoint of the season, turning in outstanding jobs against Klamath Falls, North Salem and Madison in the playoffs.

### John To Start For State; Brothers Shines In Drills

PORTLAND (UPI)—State Coach Fred Spiegelberg said today he was pleased with the work of quarterbacks Paul Brothers and Dan Miles and also with his interior linemen.

The State teams meet Metro Saturday night in the annual Shrine game here.

Spiegelberg named Doug John of Roseburg and Russ Packer of Ontario as tackles; Larry Zeller and Howard Phillips of South Salem as guards and Dan Clark of North Salem as center.

Coach Bill Harper will go with either Cool or Williams in the opening game of the Regionals Thursday. The choice of a starter will depend on whether Billings' concentration of power bats from the right or left side.

To back up Cool and Williams is Rojelio Gutierrez (5-0). Ron Westbrooks (9-2), Jerry Boucock (4-2) and Jon Burnham (3-2).

Billings also boasts one of each in the pitching department—a lefty in the form of Les Rohr has an 11-2 record for the year and has whiffed 203 batters in 96 innings. Right-hander John Hills is the leading chucker for the team with an 11-0 record.

Completing Roseburg's battery in the tournament will be veteran catcher Jim Beamer. Beamer, a veteran of three campaigns, leads the team in hitting with a .355 average on 59 hits for 166 at bats. In addition he is the top run producer with 48 RBIs and has a deadly arm which keeps base runners honest at all bags.

The probable infield for Roseburg will consist of Dave Sevall at first, Mike Markham at second, Boucock at third and Artie McDonald at short. Roaming the outfield grass will be Mike Blomberg, Bob Manning and Tom Morrison from left to right.

Manning is the only regular other than Beamer who is hitting over the 300 mark. Manning leads the team in home runs with nine, has 40 RBIs and is hitting the ball at a .306 clip. Williams carries a .303 mark, while Blomberg is pushing the magical 300 with a .298.

Reserves for the Lockwood Motors team will be outfielder Bruce Wassom and infielders Lance Casebeer and Rick Abrahamson. Casebeer started the season at second base, but has not been able to return to all-out action since suffering a broken heel. However, the spunky second baseman is ready for limited action and pinch hitting roles.

Assisting Harper with the coaching chores for Roseburg is Don Severson.

Player	BATTING					Pct.
	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	
Manning	146	38	59	3	48	.355
Williams	193	52	59	9	40	.306
Blomberg	33	7	10	1	7	.203
Sevall	141	27	42	2	27	.299
Wassom	60	12	16	1	11	.267
Casebeer	52	7	13	1	8	.250
Boucock	116	25	28	0	14	.241
Sevall	129	22	31	0	14	.240
Cool	63	11	15	0	6	.238
McDonald	128	22	37	1	27	.238
Markham	122	27	26	1	14	.213
John	44	8	9	0	7	.205
Abrahamson	157	38	31	0	19	.197
Burnham	16	3	3	0	3	.188
Abrahamson	25	5	3	0	7	.183
Gutierrez	116	2	20	0	0	.200
Burnham	21	1	2	0	0	.238
Others	50	10	11	0	0	.220
Totals	1,517	340	297	20	237	.235

### No Reserved Seats Left For Regionals

The only tickets remaining for the Western Regional American Legion baseball tournament which opens Thursday at Legion Field are 2,700 general admission seats which will be on sale at the box office prior to each game.

One ticket is good for evening Legion officials announced that the entire 580 reserved seat tickets for the games have been sold, doubleheaders, but fans are reminded that Thursday and Friday's afternoon games will require separate tickets. The tourney runs through Aug. 20.

There are no tickets of any type to be obtained from Coen Supply or Judd's Furniture.



**OREGON CHAMPS**—Lockwood Motors of Roseburg captured its third straight Oregon American Legion Junior crown by beating Sargeant Construction (Madison) of Portland in a best-of-five series. The champs boast a 47-9 record for the season and will open in the Western Regionals Thursday night against Billings, Mont., sporting a 42-9 mark. Competing for Roseburg will be: (front l to r) batboy Ken Severson, batboy Chris Gray, Ron Westbrooks, Lance Casebeer, Tom Morrison, Artie McDonald, Bob Manning, Mike Blomberg, Mike Markham, Ron Cool and batboy Don Wassom; (back l to r) Manager Jim Britton, coach Bill Harper, Rick Abrahamson, Jon Burnham, Rojelio Gutierrez, Dick Williams, Jim Beamer, Bruce Wassom, Dave Sevall, Jerry Boucock and assistant coach Don Severson.

## McKays Top Mocks 7-3

Capitalizing on a mere six hits, McKays took a one game edge on Mock Motors in the opening battle of the YMCA Twilight League tournament best-of-three playoff for the crown.

McKay's combined his hits with a rash of free passes to roll to a 7-3 triumph. The loss was the first handed Mock's this season by a Roseburg area team. Mock's captured the league championship with a perfect 14-0 record.

Don Hesselguesser pitched the win for McKay's. Hesselguesser scattered six hits over the seven inning run, struck out two and did not issue a walk. Dick Blehm walked seven and hit three batters in suffering the loss.

Trailing 2-1 going into the bottom of the fourth, the winners came to live to score four runs and clinch the victory. Ted Schlauch led off the inning with a walk and Kenny McClure drew a free pass. Troy Fennell singled and Ralph Hayes took first with a walk before Pete VanZanden slashed a safety. Two passed balls helped McKay's during the uprising.

In the sixth inning the winners added two insurance runs without the aid of a base rap.

Leading hitters for McKay's were Hawes with a 2-2 record and Fennel with a 2-4 mark. Don Wells led Mock's with two hits for three at bats.

The two teams will meet in the second game of the playoff series tonight at 6 at the VA Diamond.

## In The Majors

By United Press International  
National League

W. L. Pct. GB
Los Angeles 69 47 .595
San Francisco 66 52 .559 4
St. Louis 65 53 .551 5
Cincinnati 65 56 .537 6 1/2
Chicago 61 54 .530 7 1/2
Pittsburgh 60 57 .513 9 1/2
Philadelphia 61 58 .513 9 1/2
Milwaukee 60 59 .504 10 1/2
Houston 45 75 .375 28
New York 38 79 .325 31 1/2

**Tuesday's Results**  
Cincinnati 4 San Fran. 0, night  
Milwaukee 4 Los Angeles 3, night  
St. Louis 4 Houston 2, night  
Pittsburgh at N.Y., Ppd, rain (Only games scheduled)

**Wednesday's Probable Pitchers**  
Pittsburgh at New York — Cardwell (9-12) vs. Jackson (7-14).  
San Francisco at Cincinnati (night) — O'Dell (11-6) vs. Tsuruta (8-5).  
Milwaukee at Milwaukee (night) — Drysdale (15-12) vs. Sadowski (1-5).  
Houston at St. Louis (night) — Johnson (6-15) vs. Sadecki (7-7).  
Chicago at Philadelphia (2, twilight-night) Toth (3-7) and Jackson (13-10) vs. Culp (11-10) and Bennett (4-2).

**American League**

W. L. Pct. GB
New York 74 40 .649
Chicago 67 50 .573 8 1/2
Minnesota 65 52 .556 10 1/2
Baltimore 66 54 .550 11
Cleveland 57 62 .479 19 1/2
Boston 55 60 .478 19 1/2
Kansas City 53 62 .461 21 1/2
Los Angeles 55 66 .455 22 1/2
Detroit 51 64 .443 23 1/2
Washington 42 75 .359 33 1/2

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Kansas City 4 Detroit 2, night  
Baltimore 6 Minnesota 1, night  
Los Angeles 4 Wash. 3, night  
New York at Bos., Ppd, rain



**BRUISING TACKLE** Doug John is set for a starring role in Saturday's Shrine grid classic featuring the top seniors in the state last fall on a State versus Metro basis. John is shown receiving pointers from coach Roy Thompson. Along with John, other Roseburg stars set for service on the State 11 are quarterback Paul Brothers and end Spike Moore. Thompson, head coach at Roseburg High, is assisting Fred Spiegler of Medford and Spike Hillstrom of North Salem of the helm of the state team. Game time Saturday is 8:30 p.m. at Portland's Multnomah Stadium.

## Spahn Tops Strikeout Mark In 4-3 Win Over Dodgers

By MILTON RICHMAN  
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Warren Spahn did it again—simply to satisfy the sticklers and keep them from claiming he was losing up the record book.

The 42-year-old Milwaukee southpaw settled a two-week-long debate Tuesday night when he officially became the all-time lefty leaguer with a career total of 2,383.

Spahn achieved the milestone by striking out five batters in a 4-3 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers that represented his 4th triumph of the season and the 51st of his career.

In a manner of speaking, Spahn had been walking around with an asterisk since July 29 when he fanned five Cincinnati batters and brought his strikeout total to 2,378. Some said that total made him the new all-time left-handed strikeout king, but others said it didn't.

Rube Waddell, former southpaw for the Philadelphia A's, was the cause of the argument. Two separate record books listed Waddell's strikeout total at 2,375. Other books listed his total as 2,381.

Spahn took care of all the books Tuesday night, however, when he got losing pitcher Bob Miller on

## Terry Baker Won't Start

ORANGE, Calif. (UPI)—Los Angeles Ram coach Harland Svare said today he will start quarterback Roman Gabriel against the Minnesota Vikings Saturday night.

Svare refused to have anything to do with a suggestion that he agree to start Terry Baker if Viking coach Norm Van Brocklin would agree to start his rookie, Ron Vanderkelen.

"Van Brocklin can start anybody he wants to," said Svare. "I'm going with Gabriel." Baker is expected to start a week from Saturday in Portland when the Rams meet the Dallas Cowboys.

## Alaska Defeats Bees 7-3

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Lefty Tom Parker expected only minor difficulty Tuesday in pitching the Fort Richardson Polar Bears of Anchorage, Alaska, to a pre-tournament exhibition triumph over the Roseburg Bees.

Behind Parker's nifty three-hit effort, the Polar Bears evened the score with the Bees by winning a 7-3 decision. Monday the Bees had dropped the Alaska state champs, 3-2.

The invaders from the north appeared to have adjusted well to the lights, banging out nine hits—five of which went for extra bases.

Alaska jumped into the lead in the first inning when Dick O'Neil walked, was safe at second on an error, moved to third on an out-field fly and scored when Roger Sorenson's fly to right center was lost in the lights and dropped in for a two-bagger.

Parker aided his own cause in the second frame when he slapped a triple to deep left center field and scored on an error which allowed John Meany to reach first base after swinging at a third strike.

The lone "big inning" for the Bees came in the fourth when they managed to tie the score at 2-all. Two quick errors put Danny Withers and Chuck Person on base. Withers took third on a passed ball and Person proceeded to steal second. Both runners scored when Stan Young singled on the ground to left for the first Roseburg hit off Parker.

However, the deadlock did not last long as the Polar Bears wasted little time regaining the advantage. Meany started the fifth

inning with a walk and was sacrificed to second by O'Neil. With two away Terry Gose blasted a triple to drive in Meany with the go-ahead run. Gose trotted home from third on Sorenson's second double of the game, and Sorenson came around on John Crane's single.

The Alaskans added two insurance runs in the top of the ninth on two errors and a single by Crane. Crane would have been credited with a triple, but in circling the bases the slugging first baseman missed the bag.

In the bottom of the ninth the Bees managed to put across the final run of the game. Mike Cashner was safe on a fielder's choice which nipped Brian Brown at second. Cashner moved up a base on Butch Watson's base rap, took third on a passed ball and scored on a ground out.

Parker went the distance to pick up the win for the Polar Bears. The flashy southpaw fanned nine Roseburg batters, walked three, hit one batter and limited the hard-hitting Bees to just three singles.

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The Bees sent a parade of four pitchers to the mound in an effort to halt the northern team. Doug Matson was charged with the loss as he came on to relieve starter Pat Long in the fifth inning with the score tied.

At the plate the Alaskans appeared to have found their batting eyes. Gose collected a pair of triples for four at bats. Sorenson had two doubles and two RBIs and Crane picked up two hits and drove in two runs.

Except for the fourth and the ninth innings when the Bees scored, few threats to Parker's dominance were seen. Two chances for possible rallies were nipped in the bud by Anchorage's sharp infield combination on double plays.

Now the two-game warm-up se-

## Lopez Refuses To Concede AL Pennant; White Sox Rookie Blanks Cleveland 3-0

By MILTON RICHMAN  
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There's a fellow in Chicago who says the Yankees can still be overtaken. His name is Al Lopez, his White Sox have won 15 of their last 20 games and his feeling is "a lot of things can happen in seven weeks."

Something happened Tuesday night that made Lopez even more optimistic. One of his rookie pitchers, Dave DeBussche, hurled his first complete game in the majors and his first shut-out in beating the Cleveland Indians, 3-0.

The victory boosted the second-place White Sox 8 1/2 games behind the rained-out Yankees and although that still leaves a lot of hay to be mown, Lopez refuses to concede.

"We still have a chance," he insists. "The Yankees have a good ball club but they're not infallible. I remember a Dodger club that had a 13-game lead and lost."

DeBussche heightened Lopez' hopes with a steady six-hit effort that earned him his third victory against four losses.

The White Sox collected only five hits off loser Jim (Mudcat) Grant and Early Wynn. Nellie Fox had a double and two singles, and DeBussche had a home run and scoring another.

In other American League action, Baltimore maul ed Minnesota, 6-1. Kansas City downed Detroit, 4-2, and Los Angeles nipped Washington, 4-2. Rain washed out the Yankees-Red Sox contest.

Over in the National League, Milwaukee topped Los Angeles, 4-3, but the Dodgers retained their four-game lead when Cincinnati stopped second-place San Francisco, 4-0. St. Louis defeated Houston, 4-2, and the game between the Pirates and Mets was rained out.

**Wins Sixteenth**  
Southpaw Steve Barber won his 16th for the Orioles by striking out 10 Twin batters and scattering eight hits. The only run off Barber was Harmon Killebrew's 27th homer in the eighth inning. John Orsino clipped loser Stiek Stigman (12-11) for his 12th homer and Boog Powell belted his 20th off reliever Ray Moore in the ninth.

Errors by pitcher Jim Bunning and first baseman Norm Cash helped the Athletics to three unearned runs that beat the Tigers. Bunning, who suffered his 12th defeat in 20 decisions although he gave up only five hits in seven innings, dropped the ball during a fifth-inning rundown and Cash's throwing error in the eighth provided the A's with their last two runs. Reliever Ted Bowsfield was credited with his fifth win against six losses.

The Angels ended a seven-game losing streak with their victory over the Senators. Billy Moran, who had three hits, scored the winning run in the eighth after he doubled, moved to third on a wild pitch and came home on Bob Sadowski's squeeze bunt.

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## Umpqua Valley Tennis Meet Starts Friday In Roseburg

Topflight competition is shaping up in the men's and boys 14-and-under brackets of the Umpqua Valley Open Tennis Tournament which will begin Friday at the Stewart Park courts.

Entries were received Tuesday from a pair of top men players—George and Gary Hunter. The Hunters are from California and are employed for the summer in the Tillier area. George Hunter played the No. 2 spot for the Oregon State tennis squad earlier this year.

The Hunters will have their hands full in the men's division of the Umpqua Valley Open as other top college stars will be on hand to battle for the titles. Included among the other top collegians set for action is Don Lowe, former Roseburg star now playing for Brigham Young; Howard Sohn, ex-Roseburg high ace playing varsity at Claremont College in California; and Ken Stevenson and Dick Blacksmith, a pair of top Southern Oregon College players.

Two of the top rated players in the state in the 14-and-under division became official entrants Tuesday. Randy King, Portlano, and Kirk Kirkpatrick, Corvallis, are rated as two of the top four boys in the state in their age group. King is fresh from winning the 14-and-under singles crown at a Beaverton tournament, and also reached the finals in the 16-and-under bracket.

Brian Green and Roger McKee have joined a strong group of Roseburg entrants in the 14-and-under division.

Entries for the tournament sponsored by the Roseburg Tennis Association will close today.

Tournament officials will make the draw Thursday noon, and results of the draw will be posted at the Stewart Park courts by 4 p.m. Thursday.

The action begins Friday morning at 8 with the junior players leading off. The action will continue throughout the day Friday and Saturday, with the finals scheduled for Sunday.

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